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Configuring File Structures and	)	
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Memory Device	)	

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the obligation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicants hereby submit documents A1-A91 listed on the attached form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of these documents are not enclosed since they were previously cited by or submitted to the Office in prior application serial number 10/253,049, which is being relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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Applicants wish to bring the following to the Examiner's attention:

Page 291 of the "Linux System Administration" document and page 408 of the "Undocumented DOS" document teach the use of two partitions on a single hard drive. The partitions can have different operating systems (e.g., DOS and Unix) and different file systems (e.g., DOS and Unix), each with different smallest writeable units, as recorded in the logical sector size. The same applies to two separate hard drives. This is an example of two different re-writeable memories with different smallest writeable units sending an indication of their respective smallest writeable units to a file system.

Page 408 of the "Undocumented DOS" document also teaches a memory device with two partitions, each with a different file system structure. Here, a PC hard drive is partitioned into two, with a Unix file system on one partition and a DOS file system on the other. DOS allows such a partition.

Page 410 of the "Undocumented DOS" document teaches that both DOS and Unix have a boot sector, which is stored in a hard disk at a memory location reserved for file system structures.

Page 413 of the "Undocumented DOS" document teaches a file system (e.g., DOS FAT or Unix) allocating blocks (its smallest writeable unit) and keeping track of which blocks are free.

Page 288 of the "Universal Serial Bus Specification" document teaches the use of a driver to take care of variability of the smallest writeable unit of a memory device. Here, the Universal Serial Bus (USB) driver is used in PCs to allow a variety of memory devices of different types to be accessed.

The "UNIX chmod command" document teaches the Unix "chmod" command to set file attributes to change file permissions. This can be used to prevent users from writing to a file. In this way, a re-writeable media (such as a hard disk) can apply a modifiable bit (such as a read-only or archive bit) to temporarily close a file or partition. DOS, Windows, and Unix all have such a bit to prevent a file from being over-written.

Page 25, section 2.2.4.2 specifies the logical block size and what its maximum may be in any given logical volume. A minimum block size is assumed. The block size is sent from the write-once memory (here, a CD-ROM) to the Universal Disk Format file system.

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